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For: MODERN DEVICE USING A CAPACITIVE INSULATING
BARRIER, INSULATING COUPLER AND INTEGRATED
CIRCUIT USED IN THE MODERN DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 23, 2000

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 19, lines 2, 4 and 7, delete -- insulting --, insert

-- insulating --;

delete lines 11-25 in their entirety.

Page 20, delete lines 1-8 in their entirety.

Delete text from page 61, line 6, to page 91, line 22.

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment prior to examination is
respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, portions of the specification
describing Figs. 20-29 have been deleted, noting that these
figures were not included with this patent application.